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TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, LILLIAN), SY
SUBJECT: MISS LILLIAN'S VISIT TO THE SAHEL - SHIRELY MACLAINE
AND "TURNING POINT"

1. BECAUSE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OUTLINED BELOW, WE DO NOT
THINK IT ADVISABLE TO ARRANGE, DURING MISS LILLIAN'S VISIT,
TO SENEGAL, A SPECIAL PROGRAM CENTERED ON SHIRLEY MACLAINE
AND A SHOWING OF HER RECENT FILM "TURNING POINT."

2. BEST, AND IN FACT ONLY PLACE SUITABLE FOR A GALA FILM
EVENING WOULD BE NATIONAL SORANO THEATRE. SORANO, HOWEVER,
IS SCHEDULED TO CLOSE JULY 12 FOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATION.
WORD FROM THEATRE DIRECTOR IS HE MUST ADHERE TO THIS
SCHEDULE.

3. WE HAVE TRIED TO ASCERTAIN PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S AND
GENERAL GOS INTEREST IN MS. MACLAINE AND POSSIBILITY OF
FILM SHOWING. WORD WAS THAT HE HAS LIVELY INTEREST IN FILM
ARTS AND ARTISTS BUT THAT HIS SCHEDULE UNTIL VACATION
DEPARTURE LATE JULY IS VERY TIGHT. OTHER PROBES
WE HAVE MADE WITH BOTH GOVERNMENT AND CINEMA CIRCLES
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HAVE DRAWN LIMP AND LACKADAISICAL RESPONSE. THIS WE
ATTRIBUTE NOT TO LACK OF INTEREST BUT TO THE SEASON.
END OF JULY IS HEIGHT OF VACTION SEASON; MANY KEY
PEOPLE WILL BE AWAY FROM DAKAR; AND BOTH PUBLIC AND
PRIVATE LIFE USUALLY SLOW TO SNAIL'S PACE.

4. IN SUM, WHILE MS. MACLAINE WOULD BE MOST WELCOME IN

DAKAR AS MEMBER OF MISS LILLIAN'S IMMEDIATE PARTY,
WE DO NOT RECOMMEND A SPECIAL SET OF ACTIVITIES BASED
ON HER PRESENCE.
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